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HONG KONG RAW MATERIALS MARKET STRONGER;
BANK OF CHINA AIDS INTERIOR MERCHANTS

PRICES FOR RAW MATERIALS RISE -- Hong Kong, Wen-hui Pao, 14 Sep 50

The Hong Kong market in industrial raw materials continues to improve. Zinc powder, which is being monopolized by a certain foreign company, continues to rise in price. Potassium alum crystals, potassium granules, and soda have risen in price under the influence of US export restrictions. All arsenical products, regardless of origin are likewise rising.

BANK MAKES AVAILABLE FOREIGN-EXCHANGE CERTIFICATES -- Hong Kong, Wen-hui
Pao, 24 Sep 50

The Kwangtung branch of the Bank of China has recently made arrangements for interior exporters to secure long-term foreign-exchange certificates through the local branches of the bank in the places where they live. This obviates the necessity for those firms which have no representative in Canton to go to that city to make arrangements for such certificates.

CHINA DISCONTINUES DUTY FREE PROGRAM -- Hong Kong, Wen-hui Pao, 15 Sep 50

The arrangement whereby goods from North China passing through Hong Kong to South China might enter the mainland duty free has been discontinued since early this month. The reason given is that land transport has now been restored so that domestic goods may move over inland routes.

US BRISTLES DEMAND UP -- Hong Kong, Wen-hui Pao, 15 Sep 50

New York demand for hog bristles has brought advances in the prices of this commodity on the Hong Kong market. The reasons given for the rise are the limited quantity of Chinese bristles recently passing through Hong Kong and a brisk demand on New York stocks by European buyers.

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SUSPENDS CASINGS EXPORT IN EAST CHINA AREA -- Hong Kong, Wen-hui Pao,
24 Sep 50

The Export Control Office of the East China Export Control Bureau has temporarily suspended the export of casings, duck and goose feathers, and sheep hides because of the uncertainty of both the domestic and foreign markets.

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